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Via ECF

Hon. Paul A. Crotty, United States District Judge
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: USA v. Romana Leyva
19-Cr-667 (PAC)

Dear Judge Crotty:

Ms. Jacqueline Cistaro and I represent Romana Leyva in the above matter. On January 19, 2020, Ms. Cistaro was appointed to work with me on this case pursuant to the Southern District's Mentor Program. Under that order, Ms. Cistaro was appointed as my protégé, *nunc pro tunc*, to October 16, 2019, and was authorized to bill at \$65 per hour after 15 hours of non-billed time.

I am pleased to inform you that as of January 1, 2021, Ms. Cistaro was appointed to the CJA Panel for the Southern District. Because Ms. Cistaro is now a member of the CJA Panel, I am requesting that Ms. Cistaro be compensated at current CJA rates, effective as of January 1, 2021.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,


David K. Bertan

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cc: AUSA Michael Neff (via ECF)

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The request is approved
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Paul Michael